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Date: July 10, 2020
To: All Staff and Residents
Subject: Re-Opening Committee – Visits and volunteers
From: Assistant Commissioner Benjamin R. Jean

We continue to monitor the environment regarding COVID-19 in the State especially in the wake of increased summer activity and the lifting of many restrictions related to the stay at home order. In the meantime, the suspension of visitation is extended through July 17, 2020. The re-opening committee will meet early next week to consider modification of the extended visitation restriction, including some volunteer services.

Non-contact visits with attorneys for residents with active cases will continue on a limited first come, first served basis and must be scheduled directly with the facility to be visited. The Department of Corrections will also continue accommodations for electronic attorney/client activity. Attorneys with urgent needs should contact the Warden or designee for the facility housing their client.

Tours require preauthorization by the Commissioner and will only be considered if associated with pandemic planning purposes. Events will be examined on a case-by-case basis as remitted through the Commissioner.

We understand the importance of visitation and volunteer activities and appreciate everyone's understanding and commitment to staying healthy and safe during this pandemic.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "BJ", is written over a horizontal line.

Benjamin R. Jean
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